

Approved
Region 5 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
(RWDB)
CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIALS
(CEO'S)
Wednesday, March 4, 2020
4:00 p.m.
IowaWORKS
Three Triton Circle
Fort Dodge, IA 50501

RWDB in attendance:	Bangert, Kyle Miller, Faith	DeWall, Daniel Varangkounh, Molly	Grau, Tom
RWDB absent:	Dreyer, Lynn Kolbeck, Lori McBain, Larry O'Hern, Cheryl Underberg, Abby	Harrison, Diane Kruckenberg, Renae Morgan, Shawn Perrin, Jon Webb, Nancy	Kinney, Dan Lockner, Sue O'Brion, Alison Salvatore, Tom
CEO's in attendance:	Bailey, Doug Rasmussen, Rick	Cooper, Mike Siepker, Clarence	Loney, Sandy Thode, Bob
Guests in attendance:	Blunk, Shelly Larson-White, Teresa	Hammersland, Michelle Vorrie, Melissa	

I. Call the Meeting to Order:

RWDB Chairperson Molly Varangkounh called the regular meeting of the Region 5 RWDB/CEO to order on March 4, 2020 @ 4:05 p.m. in the IowaWORKS office, Three Triton Circle, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

II. Roll call for RWDB and CEO, Introduction of Guests: – this was skipped as there was not enough RWDB present to meet quorum.

III. Approval of Agenda: This was skipped as there was not enough RWDB present to meet quorum. Will vote at the next meeting.

IV. Approval of Minutes: This was skipped as there was not enough RWDB present to meet quorum. Will vote at the next meeting.

V. Open issues

a. Fiscal Update – Adult/DW – see handout. Monies will be spent with very little carry over. Priority will be student tuition.

b. Youth – Not many youth enrolled to spend the money on, but on target for spending. Might have some carry over funds.

VI. Core Partner Updates

a. Title 1 – Adult/DW – Currently working with Eaton during their layoff process. Partnering with Mason City office. Rapid response meeting held recently. Misty Harbor rapid response meeting held as well. Most of their workers are seeking other jobs so they are working with IowaWorks.

Youth – 20 active youth currently. Still accepting referrals and connecting to resources.

- b. **Title II – Adult Ed** – Orientation for next round of classes coming up. Student support certificate classes set to begin soon. Currently in the process of reapplying for funds.
- c. **Title III – Wagner Peyser** – Recently had staff in-service – all trained in mental health first aid – all certified. Business tour for job seekers on 3/13/20 with Unity Point & Friendship Haven. Veterans tours at Nestle on 3/30/20. There were 20740 different service reasons that people came into center last quarter.
- d. **Title IV – Vocational Rehabilitation** – No report

VII. Board Committee Updates

- a. **Youth Standing Committee** – Met in December. Discussed needs of the youth and outreach. Eye opening as to the barriers that youth face, even as basic as role modeling hygiene. Employers spend a lot of time modeling what to say to customer, how to act, etc. just to get through the day on the job.
- b. **Disability Committee** - No report

VIII. New Business

- a. **Realignment Update:** See memo dated 3/4/20. Need to have most decisions made by 5/15/2020. However, One Stop Operator can be named by December 1, 2020. Never had one before. Partner have done these services by themselves. Need to put out an RFP. The current youth provider can fill this role.

Fiscal agent right now is ICCC – need to name a new one. It can be an accounting firm. Need to decide to ask, doesn't have to be an RFP. Can just hire someone.

Board support – Need to be more than what has been required before. Midas/COG has been in discussion and they are potentially interested in filling the role as they are currently doing the same in the Carroll region.

If merging were to occur, logical merging would be with region 3-4 or region 11. Both of which are pursuing compliancy on their own. However, if required to merge, region 3-4 would be interested. Potential is there currently to partner on projects rather than full blown merge. This would allow collaborating on funds. Region 3-4 is interested in that option.

A lot of work has been gone into getting our current board to where it is currently is. It is working well and positive things are happening. Don't want to just give that up. Bilaws can be updated and budgeted can be developed and approved to bring it current and compliant. The decision was made that CEOs will move forward with not merging at this time.

IX. County & Additional Partner Update: None present

X. Public Comments: None present

XI. Schedule Upcoming Meeting Date: Will meet again in April for update. Meeting date will be set and sent out.

XII. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 5:20pm.